

DELRAN TOWNSHIP FIRE DISTRICT #1
BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS
BUSINESS MEETING
August 26, 2025

The business meeting of the Board of Fire Commissioners of the Delran Township Fire District No. 1 was held on Tuesday evening August 26, 2025 at the Fire District Office.

President Joseph Parento, commencing with the flag salute, called the meeting to order at 7:30 pm.

The President announced that this meeting is being conducted within the provisions of N.J.S.10-4.6 to N.J.S. 10:4-41 titled Open Public Meetings and that the time and place has been posted on the bulletin board of the Municipal Building and was advertised in the Courier Post on February 6, 2025.

Other members of the Board and appointed persons present were Commissioners James Bauer, James Turcich, Anthony Quaciari and Joseph Seybert. Also present were: Chief Joseph Cunningham, Sr., Deputy Chief Kevin Peak, 232 Batt. Chief Joseph Cunningham, Jr., 231 LT Ralph Bensel, 232 Lt. Hugh Pierce, Insurance Broker Ryan Jones, Solicitor Jeff Stark and clerk Elizabeth Briggs.

A motion was made by Commissioner Quaciari, which was seconded by Commissioner Bauer, to approve the August 12, 2025 meeting minutes. The board was polled, all ayes. The motion was approved.

COMMUNICATIONS:

We received the renewal request for the National Volunteer Fire Council for our membership. The cost has gone up from \$21 to \$24 a member. We will be updating the list and renewing the subscription.

SECRETARY: Nothing to report.

CHIEF: We received a proclamation for when we went to Tabernacle for the Forestry Fire. Report is attached.

DEPUTY CHIEF: Report is attached.

STATION 231 BATTALION CHIEF: Not in attendance.

STATION 232 BATTALION CHIEF: Report is attached.

STATION PRESIDENTS: Not in attendance.

OTHER LINE OFFICER'S REPORTS: 231 LT Bensel-nothing to report.

232 LT Pierce- the welder was ordered and has already been used to fix the rehab trailer jack. The next project is the cabinet on 2316.

FIRE OFFICIAL/ FIRE PREVENTION: Orders for fire prevention have been placed and should be arriving in the next few weeks. We have a few more things to order that should be in by the middle of September.

SOLICITOR'S REPORT (Jeff Stark): Commissioner Parento brought up the 239 service agreement that was being worked on by Carmen. There was a discussion about wording of the document and how the repairs on the vehicle should be handled and if the amount will stay the same Jeff will look at the agreement and see what progress Carmen had made.

INSURANCE (Ryan Jones): JIF will be updating the portal and apps. Report is attached.

TRUSTEES: Nothing to report.

FIRE POLICE: The next meeting is tomorrow night at Burlington Township.

OEM- Nothing to report.

PUBLIC RELATIONS: We went to the Delran summer camp to spray the children.

FIRE EQUIPMENT: The adaptor for the fire boat was received and taken to Dredge.

OFFICE SPACE & EQUIPMENT: The Staff has been looking into changing our water delivery service due to some issues with the current provider. Maggie looked into WB Mason and the service is better and cost is cheaper. The board agreed to move forward with WB Mason and having Maggie and Liz be the contacts.

MASTER PLANNING: We have a meeting tomorrow evening.

UNIFORMS: 1 new member was sent to get a class B uniform. Another member will be sent to get a class B soon.

APPARATUS: 2315 is still out at Campbell's.

The PM's are being done for all the other trucks.

The part for 2312's foam system has been ordered and should be in soon.

2321 has to be taken to fire and safety on October 12.

2327's head liner needs to be fixed and possibly fix the seats as well.

WEBSITE: Nothing to report.

SAFETY: Nothing to report.

BUILDING & GROUNDS: Overhead door was out at both stations. There are still problems with 2315 and 2318's bay door that need to be fixed. They also bent every single track at 231's station when replacing the parts. Each track is jagged and looks terrible. Those tracks should be replaced.

We are in the process of getting the bunk room insulation and sheet rock done. We received 2 quotes and tried to get a 3rd quote with no success. The solicitor said 2 quotes and the attempts for a 3rd will be sufficient to move forward.

A motion was made by Commissioner Bauer seconded by Commissioner Quaciari to accept the low bid of \$15,800 by Ryan Kakowski with Superior Homes to complete the bunk room insulation and sheet rock. The board was polled, all ayes. The motion was approved.

GRANT: Nothing to report.

OLD BUSINESS: The computers are in the process of being installed.

The 2 new trucks we have specs for can not be done until we get the budget and everything in order for 2026. We will also have a special election for the bonding next year.

We budgeted for a members night out. It was tentatively scheduled for August 30 but will be postponed until September.

A motion was made by Commissioner Quaciari seconded by Commissioner Bauer to postpone the members night and schedule it for September. The board was polled, all ayes. The motion was approved.

TREASURER'S REPORT: We need to add Commissioner Seybert to the TD Bank accounts and the bond account. Resolutions need to be done for both of them.

A motion was made by Commissioner Turcich and seconded by Commissioner Seybert to accept Resolution 2025-13 to add Commissioner Seybert to the TD Bank Bond account as an authorized person on the account. The board was polled, all ayes. The motion was approved.

A motion was made by Commissioner Turcich and seconded by Commissioner Seybert to accept Resolution 2025-14 to add Commissioner Seybert to all the TD Bank accounts as an authorized signatory. The board was polled, all ayes. The motion was approved.

The installation of the new computers is going well.

BILLS FOR PAYMENT: The bills for this evening are \$74,272.20

A motion was made by Commissioner Turcich and seconded by Commissioner Seybert to pay all bills present. The board was polled, all ayes. The motion was approved.

We have had a meeting about the loans and things we want to get done. We need to bring in a CPA, Suzanne Heller to help with the budget and accounts to continue to move forward. We will be meeting with her on Thursday at 11AM.

NEW BUSINESS: Commissioner Bauer- the welding work that has been completed looks great. The brush truck will be fixed next. We also want to fix the dented hose troth on 2321. We do need the fuel tank about \$200 and spool to do aluminum \$588.

A motion was made by Commissioner Bauer and seconded by Commissioner Turcich to purchase the fuel tank and the spool for aluminum for \$843. The board was polled, all ayes The motion was approved.

PUBLIC COMMENTS: Nothing to report.

COMMISSIONERS COMMENTS:

Commissioner Bauer- We are happy to have Jeff here as the solicitor but sad to hear about Carmen. He will greatly be missed.

I would like to have a personnel meeting before we leave.

Commissioner Parento- Thank you to Jeff for joining us. Carmen will be missed

A motion was made by Commissioner Bauer seconded by Commissioner Quaciari to go into a closed door session for a personnel matter at 8:31 PM. The board was polled, all ayes. The motion was approved.

The regular meeting continued at 8:55 PM

There was no further business to discuss so a motion was made by Commissioner Turcich and seconded by Commissioner Bauer to adjourn the meeting at 9:05 pm. The board was polled, all ayes. The motion was approved.

Respectfully submitted,

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August 9th – DFD along with mutual aid responded to 400 Delran Parkway for a reported building fire. Crews arrived to find a trash compactor with an active fire. Crews from Delran and Cinnaminson removed the dumpster away from the building and extinguished the fire.

August 13th – This day yielded 4 calls for service total; 3 of notable instances were; an MVC on Route 130, structure fire response to Moorestown Twp, and Structure response to Riverside twp.

August 14th – This day yielded 8 calls for service, notable incidents were; MVC w/Entrapment call to Delanco, a structure fire in Riverside where the electrical panel was involved with heat an fire, PED MVC with an LZ assignment, and even though we were requested but could not respond was a Ped MVC vs. train in Riverside Twp.

August 17th – E2321 covered station 313 while they operated in Maple Shade Twp.

August 18th – E2321 covered station 221 as part of a structural taskforce cover assignment.

I would like to thank the board for sending me to FRI in Orlando two weeks ago. The trip had a lot of classes that were in reference to the AI way of some things going in the service. Was able to talk to vendors and also with other attendees.

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Delran Fire Department Deputy Chiefs Report

August 25, 2025

Currently we are at 493 calls for service.

Some notable incidents since the last meeting:

July 24th – DFD along with mutual aid was dispatched to the 800 block of Drexel Street for a structure fire. Assignment was knocked down to just Delran units due to the minor nature of no fire.

July 25th – Marine 23 responded to Delanco for a water rescue assignment. Crews arrived on scene and assisted with some minor duties and then returned.

July 26th – DFD along with multiple other agencies assisted with a special assignment on Shelly Lane. Crews arrived and surveyed the scene and turned over to further agencies needed on location.

July 27th – DFD along with mutual aid responded to 193 Tenby Chase drive for a reported structure fire. Crews arrived and found a minor fire in a kitchen with a smoke condition. Crews vented and turned over to maintenance.

July 27th – E2312 responded to Willingboro for a structure fire.

July 29th – E2321 responded to Mount Laurel for a structure fire. Crews arrived on scene and were soon after released.

August 1st – S2324 responded to Cinnaminson for a structure fire and were soon released thereafter due to the nature.

August 6th – DFD was dispatched to the 800 block of Drexel Street for a pool deck fire. Was found by a sargent on patrol and alerted the FD. Homeowner extinguished with a garden hose and overhauled by FD.

August 9th – DFD responded to Riverside township for a house fire. DC2301 arrived on scene first with a 2 story dwelling with heavy fire from the rear of the house. S2324 arrived and began extinguishment. Fire was upgraded to a second alarm for manpower and crews remained on scene for a few hours afterwards to assist with overhaul.



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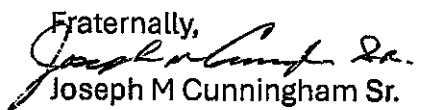
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Chief's report for Aug 2025:

1. The department answered 496 calls to date. The most significant call was on July 26th when the department was dispatched for a loud explosion. Crews investigated along with the PD and determined it was a bomb was detonated.
2. The Chief's budget was prepared and emailed to the BOFC.
3. The FEMA Grant is still in the Technical Review stage.
4. Ladder 2315 is still Out of Service for repairs.
5. Campbell supply is currently performing the services on the apparatus.
6. The FM and Chief vehicles were delivered to the dealer and had the caps installed. I'm waiting to hear from the dealers as to when they want our cars to take the radios out of them to install them in the new vehicles.
7. Continental will be coming down in the next couple of weeks to fit members for PPE.
8. Burlington Overhead Doors started the Bay Door Overhaul project on Thursday July 31st.
9. The FD Department attended Delran Night Out on Tuesday August 5th at the Delran Community Park.
10. I will be out of town from August 11th - August 16th attending the IAFC Conference.
11. I will be meeting Con Vault on Friday morning Aug 29th to get quotes on replacing the fuel tanks with larger tanks.
12. I spoke with Susan Wiener from Jif Insurance fund. DMV is requesting that all our members sign a Consent Form to pull their Driving abstract. I am currently in the process of forms signed by the members.
13. Schools will be back in session next week. This means more children and school buses on the roadways. Please use caution when responding.

Fraternally,


Joseph M Cunningham Sr.

Chief of the Department

DELRAN TWP. FIRE DISTRICT #1
INSURANCE REPORT
July 22, 2025 – August 26, 2025

July 25th:

- Work comp claim correspondence

July 28th:

- Pre-Renewal materials and correspondence provided by JIF

No other COIs were issued or other Claims were reported

Free resources available at <https://melsafetyinstitute.org/fire-service/>